

MARINE AND SHIPPING NOTES

ARRIVED DEC. 22.
Yankee Flag, Tonnage Agent.
 West 1933, 2,634, to Laker-Schiff agency from Chicago.
 W. M. Irish, 3,324, to Magnolia Petroleum company, from Philadelphia.
 J. M. Guffey, 1,500, to Gulf Refining company, from Philadelphia.
 Carrier, 2,860, to Gulf Refining company, from Philadelphia.
 New York, 5,045, to the Texas Company from Charleston.

ALL-22-1933.
 Wildwood, 3,355, to Plymouth, Eng., with general cargo, Lykes Bros. Gulfland, 2,867, to Philadelphia with oil, Gulf Refining company.
 T. J. Williams, 3,355, from Beaumont for Schenck-Bell cargo.
 Glendard, 1,507, from Beaumont for Port Arthur-Lykes cargo.
 J. E. Gosh, 5,331, for north of latitudes with oil, Magnolia Petroleum company.

IN PORT ARTHUR DEC. 22.
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 J. M. Guffey, 1,500, Gulf Refining company.
 Carrier, 2,860, Gulf Refining company.
 Gulflight, 2,207, Gulf Refining company.
 Texas, 5,045, The Texas Company.
 New York, 5,045, The Texas Company.
 Sch. Blakely, 610, The Texas Company.
 La Perouse, (Fr.), 6124, Sidney Mullin.

At Beaumont.
 St. Jerome, (Fr.), 2,312, Magnolia Petroleum company.
 West line, 3,642, Lykes-Schiff company.

At Orange.
 Sch. Roseway, 211, Lutzer-Moore company.
 Dakota, 4,014, John F. Jones company.

MARITIME MISCELLANY.
 The Steamer Schenck-Bell, which had loaded asphalt products at Port Neches and general cargo at Beaumont passed down Thursday for Galveston to finish for U. S. ports.

The steamer West Hesselting, loading refinery products, mainly case oil, at the Texas Company dock went out Thursday for South American ports via New York to finish.

The schooner Albert Meyer left Thursday with a cargo of lumber loaded at Port Arthur for Haiti. The Kirby Lumber Company made the shipment. Prior to 1915 the Kirby Lumber Company had extensive lumber shipping trade out of Port Arthur across the bay from Galveston, but the self-lurence of that year filled up the channel to a depth too shallow for traffic.

The French tanker St. Jerome is taking oil cargo at the Magnolia docks in the Neches river.

The schooner Blakely, which has been in the case oil trade out of this port to the West Indies for the past six months, arrived Thursday and will again load refinery products.

The French general cargo steamer La Perouse arrived Thursday from Antwerp and is at the elevator and will load a cargo of grain.

The British steamer Kuddas, which recently took part cargo in the Neches river and proceeded to Galveston to finish, is in dock reporting at that point.

Traffic on the Great Lakes to Canadian grain ports having ceased for the winter by reason of appearance of ice, the flow of grain to the Gulf port is expected to increase. Canadian ports by reason of cheaper transportation facilities and handling have been attracting much of the grain from the northwest, which has had a noticeable effect on grain shipments through Gulf ports and to considerable extent through Atlantic ports.

The commissioner of navigation reports that of the tide ship tonnage in the United States, 5,782,205 is credited to the shipping board and 794,028 tons is credited to private owners. The shipping board has 106 per cent of the tonnage for the private owners, 8 per cent for the board's life tonnage, which includes all the unsold wooden ships, which have practically always been idle.

The Gulf Refining company tank steamers Goldstar and the Gulfmaid were reported out of Philadelphia Dec. 26 for Port Arthur.

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Tax Laws, Rather Than Constitution Should Be Revised, Asserts Solon

Cass County Representative Favors Increased Levies on Corporations Reaping Harvests in State

By M. N. FITZGERALD

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 22.—It is the opinion that we have plenty of ways of raising revenue sufficient to take care of all our present needs and all our needs of the future for many years to come without even an amendment to our present constitution," said Representative Wright Patterson of Cass county. "Let us insist that the legislature give precedence to the bills intended to more equally distribute the burden of taxation, and those for the purpose of raising revenue from property that is not now paying its share of taxes. It will cost about \$300,000 to hold a constitutional convention and what assurance have we that the constitution agreed upon would be adopted? Because our present constitution is in no way better than the one of 1892. The constitution of the United States is more than a century old and you never hear of anyone advocating a new constitution for the United States."

Cities Oil Companies.
 "The oil companies of the state, that is, those which produce crude petroleum, have a true value of \$2,500,000,000 and ought to pay at the very lowest an ad valorem tax of 1 per cent which would be \$25,000,000 and while exploiting one of the natural resources of the state they pay into the state treasury a little more than \$2,000,000 last year."

"The express companies of this state reap an enormous revenue from the business done within our borders and have a capitalized value of \$65,000,000 and paid a gross receipt tax of less than \$100,000, while if we were taxing them on the ad valorem system and at 1 per cent of their value the state would have received \$650,000."

"That water, gas and electric companies of the state have a capitalized value of more than \$200,000,000 and their millions of dollars of intangible valuation escapes taxation like all the rest. One per cent ad valorem tax upon them would be more than two millions annually."

"We should tax the intangible assets as well as the tangible and should place the same burden upon these corporations as is borne by land. There is nothing in our present constitution to prohibit it."
Motorists Should Pay.
 "Automobiles and commercial motor vehicles do not pay one-half, they should pay toward building and maintaining the highways. Many counties in Texas have bonded themselves to the limit and built good roads only to see them destroyed within a short time by the commercial motor vehicles which benefited very little, if any, the tax payers who are having to pay for the roads."

"A great many who are advocating a new constitution want the manner of distributing the public free school money changed so that the county will be the unit for school purposes and that one-half the money for the support of the schools be furnished by the

county and the other one-half by the state. Such a provision as that, although it would possibly be popular with the members of the convention, would undoubtedly be very unpopular with the people."

World Equalizing Schools.
 "It is the duty of the state to tax all the property of the state to educate all the children of the state regardless whether they live in the city and enjoy all the comforts and conveniences of life and in a school district that has ample property to supply every want of the school or whether they reside in the most obscure section of the state and in a school district that a dollar tax would not be sufficient in a dozen years to build a one-room frame school house. Why have district lines and why have county lines when it comes to building and equipping school houses and furnishing teachers to educate the children of Texas?"

"The same argument that applies for the county as the unit for taxation purposes, not only to pay the teachers but to build and equip the school buildings. The people in the so-called poorer counties are parties to the same and the people who prefer people dogs to children should not be heard to complain about paying the price of educating all the children of the state and giving to each child the same fair chance of education."

"It would not cost more than \$5,000 to hold an election for the purpose of determining the will of the people and it would cost at least \$300,000 to hold a convention."

COMMISSIONERS DENY LEASE FOR H. D. STAND

Refusing to grant a request for a lease on property on the Port Arthur-Beaumont road near the abattoir, the city commissioners gave as the reason the short length of time which they have to stay in office, and do not care to get the city in any "entangling alliance" before the next administration.

A Mr. Tonnablood asked for a lease on a small plot of ground on the highway to put up a hamburger stand.

CORNICIANA.—As he bade his wife and three small children goodbye at a railroad station here, E. T. Reed, 29, drew a pistol from his hip pocket and shot himself through the heart, according to officers.



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XMAS SPIRIT IN LIONS' PROGRAM

Members at Luncheon Addressed by Rev. Godbey

With the gift of boxes of candy to the waitresses in the Plaza Hotel dining room, the reading of the Biblical account of the birth of Christ, as recorded by Luke, and a Christmas address by Rev. Dr. W. A. Godbey, pastor of First Methodist church, South, the Lions Club carried out its Christmas spirit in their regular weekly luncheon at the Plaza Hotel at noon today.

The wheels of business are spinning today because Jesus was born, Dr. Godbey declared in his address. He pointed out the far reaching results of business men's clubs and their associations, and stressed that the whole scheme of living is so bound up that regardless of differences in creeds, races and tongues individuals are dependent upon each other, and each or one coming to one another affects all.

Following a report that W. J. Burch has resigned as scout master of Troop 4, sponsored by the Lions Club, the Lions instructed their committee on scout work to select another scout master to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Burch. It was also decided that the new scoutmaster shall be taken into the club as an associate member.

Percolators are suitable gifts, but break when thrown at husbands.

We're Getting Ready To Give You A Good Christmas Dinner

Something special that will make you think of old times. Nothing left off the menu that one can think of

KIBER'S CAFE
 Phone 31 413 Procter

Santa Cuthers Names Of Families Who May Not Have Christmas

Families which may not be cared for Christmas are being daily reported to the office of the local Red Cross chapter, telephone 300, and arrangements made for their care according to a statement by chapter officials this morning.

Other families which, there is reason to believe, may not be cared for, should be reported, the chapter urges. The Red Cross, being in touch with all activities of this chapter will then investigate the case, check it against the "assignments," which have been made to other agencies, and prevent duplication in the case of one family, and the overlooking of another.

SISTER OF DR. WELCH ON WAY TO RECOVERY

Dr. W. C. Welch returned today from Dallas, where he was summoned on account of the critical illness of his sister Mrs. E. C. Welch, Mrs. Feltz is reported to have passed the crisis and is on her way to recovery.

MAVE LITTLE DAUGHTER.

Mr. and Mrs. Q. R. Smith of 547 Liberty avenue are the proud parents of a little daughter, born last night.

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\$3.00	\$1.00	15c
Bo-Pop Wagons	Velocipedes	Kiddie Karts
\$2.19	\$3.75	\$1.49
	\$4.00	\$4.50
Doll Trunks	Dolls All Prices	Friction Toys
35c	Santa Claus Mazes	50c
69c	15c	\$2.00
Trains That Run on Track	25c	Picture Books
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New wooden underwear, garments, 95c
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Notice—To Last Minute Shoppers
 Give Merchandise Certificates That Will Solve Any Problem
 She is certain to be pleased with the Merchandise Certificate, because she selects her own gifts, in the right style, color, size and kind she wishes. These orders are issued for any amount from \$1 up and entitles recipient to choose accordingly from our entire stocks.

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 A Hasty Gathering of Lovable Gifts From Here and There

KID GLOVES
 SILK HOSE
 SILK UNDIES
 JEWELRY NOVELTIES
 SILK PARASOLS
 SWEATERS
 BLOUSES
 FUR PIECES
 TABLE LINEN
 BOUDOIR CAPS
 FANCY GARTERS

RIBBONS
 BAGS AND PURSES
 BATHROBES
 NEGLIGES
 KIMONOS
 DRESS PATTERNS
 FANCY TOWELS
 LUNCH SETS
 MADEIRA PIECES
 BEAD NECKLACES
 COELARS AND CUFFS

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 Handkerchiefs solve the gift problem so well for they are always acceptable and the price ranges offers varied choosing.

Embroidered batiste handkerchiefs at 15c each.
 Linen lawn handkerchiefs with embroidered edges and corners, 35c each.
 Colored linen handkerchiefs, 35c each with embroidered corners and lace edges.
 Pongee handkerchiefs at 35c each hand drawn threads, all colors.
 Hand embroidered linen handkerchiefs can be had at 50c each.
 Madeira handkerchiefs in a wealth of pretty designs, 75c to \$2.50 each.

Boxed handkerchiefs for children, three to the box and priced 25c and 35c box.
 Boxed handkerchiefs for ladies, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 for the box of three.
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Deltak Indestructible Pearls—the famous kind, special \$6.50

Baby Ring—Solid gold, special, up \$3.95

Cameo Rings—Solid gold, special, up \$3.50

Sterling Silver—Solid gold, ruby and onyx sets, the kind men folks really appreciate, special \$2.00

Vanity Case—With beautiful mirror, puff and coin holder, special, up \$1.75

Cuff Links—10K solid gold, throughout, special \$4.75

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